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## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 8, line 14- Page 9, line 3, please replace the paragraph with the following paragraph.

Several attributes of the stanchions 20 make the stanchions 20 highly visible such that pilots are warned of a taxiway closure. First, the color of the stanchions 20 preferably is yellow or any color that is highly visible during the daylight. Second, at least a portion of the outer surface of the stanchions 20 includes a reflective material to further illuminate the stanchions 20 when they are struck by a light source. Typically, two reflective bands 34 that are two to four inches wide are placed around the stanchion 20. A preferred reflective band is a 3M® reflective band. Third, if desired, signage, such as stop signs 36 (shown in FIGS. 3 and 11), may be detachably or permanently mounted onto one or more of the stanchions 20 to provide further warning to pilots that the taxiway is closed. Messages, such as AIRCRAFT MOVEMENT AREA, STOP, DO NOT ENTER, VIOLATORS WILL BE PROSECUTED, can be added to the signs to further warn pilots and others that the taxiway is closed.